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Hon. Sidney H. Stein U.S. District Court Southern District of New York Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl St. New York, NY 10007-1312

Re:

U.S.A. v. Xing Lin

11-cr-114 (SHS)

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Dear Judge Stein:

I submit this letter-motion in connection with the above-referenced matter of United States v. Xing Lin, which was recently assigned to this Court, upon a February 27, 2020 mandate from the United States Court of Appels for the Second Circuit. ECF No. 94. Previously, the Second Circuit had appointed me pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act (18 U.S.C. § 3006A) to represent Mr. Lin for purposes of his petitions for writs of certiorari. 14-4133 (2d Cir.), ECF No. 125. The appointment was made following my declaration attesting to Mr. Lin's financial status and a completed CJA 23 form. 14-4133 (2d Cir.), ECF No. 121-2.

Mr. Lin has been continuously incarcerated since his conviction and his financial circumstances have not changed since the Second Circuit appointed me to represent him. Given that I have been Mr. Lin's attorney since his initial appeal, starting in December 2014 and through two petitions to the United States Supreme Court, I believe that the interests of continuity weigh in favor of my continued representation in this case. I therefore respectfully ask that this Court endorse this letter-motion and order that I be appointed to continue to represent Xing Lin in the District Court for all further proceedings pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan W. Benett

SO ORDERED3

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